

Paris Conference Reflects Little Hope for Cooperation

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Little hope for unified action is found in early reports from the three-power conference (Britain, France and Russia) which is meeting in Paris to consider U. S. Secretary of State Marshall's proposal for the economic rehabilitation of chaotic Europe.

As had been widely anticipated, Russia has come out in opposition to any "all embracing economic program" for the hapless continent. Moscow takes the position that the task of the conference merely is to ascertain the amount of financial aid the various countries need from Uncle Sam and whether such aid could be secured under the Washington program. Each country would be dealt with as a unit in accordance with its own sovereign wishes, and not as a part of wholesale continental cooperation in recovery.

Scuttle Plan
Of course if the Soviet Union adheres to this stand it will scuttle the Marshall's project. Obviously if Europe is to be rehabilitated it must be treated as a whole and not piece-meal. The continent has resources for recovery, if these can be "marshalled" so as to give fair and advantageous distribution.

However, while there certainly is small ground for optimism at this writing, it would be unwise to dismiss the plan as a failure yet. It depends on what is in the back of Russia's mind. She has made it clear that she suspects Washington of having ulterior purposes in making the economic proposal—of scheming to extend American political influence in Europe. On the other hand, diplomatic circles in the Western democracies charge that Moscow wants to keep Europe chaotic in order to extend Communism.

Suspicion
If by chance it's merely Moscow's suspicion of Washington which is standing in the way, there is a bare possibility that this doubt can be dispelled. In that case Russia might change her mind and join in the rehabilitation program.

One of the greatest possible achievements which could come out of the Paris parley would be the dissipation of the suspicions which the Eastern and Western Allies entertain for each other. Naturally that couldn't be accomplished unless the doubts were without foundation, as America knows to be the case in connection with Moscow's idea that Washington is up to political skulduggery in proposing the economic program.

The alternative to cooperation among all the Allies would seem to be for the western nations to go ahead with the project in that part of Europe which is free of Russian domination. The consensus among observers in both Washington and London is that

the time has come to work without Russia if we can't have her with us. Any idea of appeasement is out the window.

Eastburn Family Picks New Officers

The Eastburn family reunion was held at Benton-Lane Park Sunday. S. T. Eastburn was elected president; others taking office were Frank Studnick, vice-president; and Ardath Horn, secretary.

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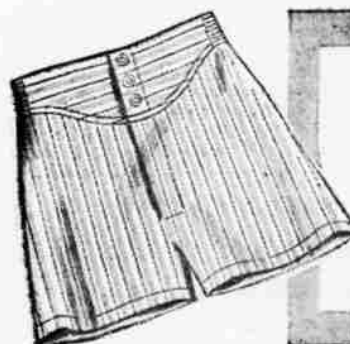
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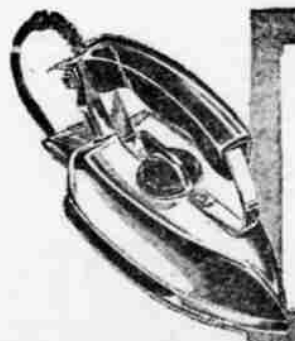
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Rev. Francis P. Leipzig and Jack Kennedy are directors of the Columbus Club, Assn.

Officers of the Coos Bay lodge will be installed Tuesday, July 1, by the district deputy, and Roseburg officers, July 8.

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